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The Honorable Donald Evans
Secretary

The ted States Department of Commerce
and Constitution NW
hington, D.C. 20230

Dear

I am writing to you as the president of the Westchester County Chamber of Commerce which includes a membership of more that 900 businesses throughout Westchester County.

Recognizing that energy costs play a significant role in Westchester businesses ability to remain competitive, the Chamber supports the building of the Millennium pipeline in Westchester County. We have come to this position after a thorough review of the many issues associated with the construction of the pipeline including a presentation made by representatives of Columbia Gas at our Governmental Affairs Committee.

FERC has studied this project for more than four years. It is time to move forward and allow this important project to move forward.

Sincerely,

Marsha Gordon
President & CEO